

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Optical recording media such as DVDs and magnetic recording media ~~such~~ such as HDDs have been known and have gained popularity as information recording media.

In addition, since it has been desired to enhance the recording density of information, research has been made into magneto-optical (MO) recording media in which the merits of optical recording media and the merits of magnetic recording media are combined.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

More specifically, a description is made of a magneto-optical recording medium in which a TbFeCo film having a ~~large~~ larger Kerr rotation angle is used as the TM rich film and a TbFeCo film capable of providing a large signal level ( $\sqrt{R} \cdot \theta$  :  $R$  = reflectance,  $\theta$  = Kerr rotating angle) is used as the RE rich film, and both films are exchange-coupled to each other. It is stated that this medium has advantages in that a large SNR can be obtained because a rise in noise level can be restrained, and that writing energy can be made small. In other words, it can be considered that if the medium described in this publication is used as a medium such as a MO disk, recording noise can be reduced while retaining a large magneto-optical effect.